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வந்துகொண்டு இருக்கிறார்கள். மற்ற ஆஸ்பத்திரிகளுக்கு கொடுக்கிற பிரகாரம் அதற்கும் டிஸ்ட்ரிக்ட் போர்ட் **grant** கொடுப்பதில்லை. அதனால் ஜனங்கள் கஷ்டப்படுகின்றார்கள். அதை தாலுக்கா ஹெட் கோட்டர்ஸ் ஆஸ்பத்திரியாக ஆக்கவேண்டும். அதற்கு அரசாங்கம் வேண்டிய நடவடிக்கை எடுக்குமா ? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" This is a rural dispensary and it is one of the best dispensaries in the district. Any rural dispensary which is working well should be encouraged to continue as such."

Representations from the All-India Petroleum Workers' Federation.

* 541 *Q.*—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any representation has been received by the Government from the All-India Petroleum Workers' Federation, Madras, regarding the grievances of the clerks and the workers of four oil companies and the companies' policy of " No recognition and no negotiation " pursued towards the Federation; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken by the Government thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) Certain representations were received from the All-India Petroleum Workers' Federation regarding the suspension of some workers from the Standard Vacuum Oil Company and Caltex (India), Limited, Madras. No representation has been received from the Federation on the alleged policy of ' No recognition and no negotiation '.

" (*b*) The Government decided that there were not sufficient grounds to take any action against the managements concerned."

SRI A. RATNAM :—" கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, அரசாங்கம் அங்கீகரிக்கப்பட்ட தொழில் ஸ்தாபனங்கள் கவர்ன்மெண்டாரால் அங்கீகரிக்கப்படாமல் கெட்டலைகின்றன. எனவே அரசாங்கத்தார் அங்கீகரிக்கப்பட்ட எல்லா யூனியன்களையும் மானேஜ்மெண்டார் அங்கீகரிக்கும்படி . . ."

MR. SPEAKER :—" நீங்கள் ஜெனரல் கேள்வியாக போடவேண்டும்."

SRI A. RATNAM :—" அந்த குமாஸ்தாக்கள் தொழிலாளர்களுடைய விஷயங்களைப்பற்றி மனுக்கள் சமர்ப்பிக்கப்பட்டிருக்கின்றன. அவர்களை எந்த அளவிற்கு என்ன கேட்டார்கள். அவைகள் ஏன் கொடுக்கப்படவில்லை ? அந்த மனுக்களின் பேரில் அரசாங்கம் ஏதாகிலும் நடவடிக்கை எடுத்துக்கொணடிருக்கிறதா என்பதைப்பற்றி அறிய விரும்புகிறேன்."

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Two issues were raised by the Workers' Union. One was the suspension of six workers and the other was the dismissal of 23 workers. The management approached the Labour Appellate Tribunal before whom the matter was pending for permission to dismiss the workers and the Labour Appellate Tribunal refused to give the permission asked for and directed the management to reinstate these workers with

back wages. The management have since reinstated them and, therefore, there is nothing for the Government to intervene in the matter. Regarding the dismissal of 23 workers, again the Industrial Tribunal was asked for permission to dismiss them but the Tribunal refused them permission and the management has since appealed to the Labour Appellate Tribunal. In these circumstances, there is nothing for the Government to do in the matter.

" As regards the question of recognition of Unions, the Government have examined the matter and have come to the conclusion that this is not an issue which can come within the meaning of the provisions of the Industrial Disputes Act."

Construction of Cannanore-Kozhikode trunk road.

* 542 *Q.*—SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the expenses incurred for the construction of the new Cannanore-Kozhikode trunk road on the borders of Mahe;

(*b*) whether the old road is still closed to through traffic even after the changed set-up in Mahe; and

(*c*) whether there is any proposal to keep open the new railway bridge for traffic throughout day and night in the near future?

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (*a*) Rs. 2·30 lakhs has been met so far.

" (*b*) No, Sir.

" (*c*) Yes, Sir."

SRI K. MADHAVAN NAMBIAR :—" May I know whether compensation was paid to the landholders for the loss of land and the improvements thereon incurred by them due to land acquisition for the construction of the road? "

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" I have no information on hand about the acquisition proceedings. If the hon. Member puts a separate question I shall answer it."

SRI T. C. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR :—" The Hon. Minister has replied to clause (*b*) that the old road is still not closed. As a matter of fact, it is not open to traffic even now and the traffic is diverted through the new road? "

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" The Chief Engineer (Highways) has reported that the old road is now open for traffic but that the public service vehicles do not pass through Mahe. He has also reported that the public service vehicles are still passing through the diversion route only and that this may be due to the fact that there are prohibition chowkies on either side of Mahe."